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MAY RESUME HOSTILITIES IN MEXICO VERY SOON

Huerta Accuses the United States of a Breach of Good Faith Attempt to Connect Alaska and Russia by Telegraph Line

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, D. C., May 8.—Fifty years ago this summer, interest in the great project of connecting the American and European continents by land telegraph was at its height and consummation of the undertaking was regarded as practically assured. The plan was to connect New York and London by way of the Behring strait.
Although the first ocean cable was laid in 1857, there existed much skepticism regarding it and as late as 1865 it was declared by many to be of no practical use. The enormous labor and cost of laying an ocean cable and the unsatisfactory manner of the working of those first laid gave rise to the opinion that failure would be the ultimate outcome.
Perceiving the wide demand for telegraphic communication between the two continents, Perry Macdonald Collins, an American engineer of note, conceived the idea of an overland route. His plan was for a private company, backed by the United States government, to build a telegraph line north from San Francisco, through British Columbia and Alaska, to a point on Bering strait nearest Siberian land. Simultaneously, the Russian government was to build from St. Petersburg across Siberia to a point opposite the American terminal on Bering strait.
Just how the wires were to be carried across the thirty or forty miles of water separating the two continents was never fully worked out; but a series of floating buoys, or small ships, firmly anchored, was thought to offer a solution of the problem.
The enterprise advanced in due time to the point where representatives were sent to St. Petersburg to lay the plan before the Russian government. Success attended the mission to the extent of a tentative agreement whereby the czar was to order the construction of the Siberian line whenever its practicability was demonstrated by the American promoters. Full permission was granted for an American engineering party to explore Eastern Russia and the great Siberian wilds for wilds for the purpose of locating a route and testing the feasibility of maintaining telegraph lines in that region.
Numerous surveys were made through British Columbia and Alaska and a route was practically decided upon. Nearly all of the way it led through an uninhabited country, remote from sources of supply, and into a vast region locked in ice and snow during seven or eight months of the year. Throughout this region, it was proposed to maintain relay stations at frequent points, where operators and linemen would always be on duty.
From 1863 to 1865 many parties and expeditions were organized and sent out to explore and demonstrate. George Kennan, afterwards well known in the United States as a traveler and lecturer, joined one of the expeditions, when only 18 years of age, and spent over two years in Siberia, building and operating experimental lines. Kennan was an expert telegrapher, and his mission was to prove to the satisfaction of governments and capitalists that telegraphic communication could be maintained constantly in the semi-polar regions.
In Siberia, the Kennan expedition traveled thousands of miles by dog-sledge and on horseback, investigating climatic conditions and making surveys. Its report to the czar and to the American promoters was that the project was entirely feasible. It is said that the Trans-Siberian railway subsequently followed much of the line marked out by the Americans.
It was while engaged in making further surveys, believing fully that the American end of the line was already under construction that a message, by courier from St. Petersburg, reached Kennan informing him that the enterprise had been abandoned and ordering the expedition to return to the United States for discharge.
The successful laying and operation of the second Atlantic cable in 1865 blasted the hopes of the promoters of the American-Siberian line. Governments and capitalists looked coldly upon the great outlay necessary and refused to finance further experiments. Thus, all of the expeditions were recalled and the promoting company dissolved. The irony of fate made it possible for Kennan, when he finally reached London, to send a message by cable to friends in America.
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BOY KILLS FATHER IN DEFENSE OF MOTHER

LOS ANGELES, May 8.—Vegetine O'Connell, rancher of Norwalk, near here, was shot and killed by his son Varney, aged 19. The boy surrendered, saying his father attacked his mother with a razor.

CROSS CUTTING VICTOR TO BEGIN WITH THREE SHIFTS

MANAGEMENT EXPECTS TO PICK UP LEDGE IN ABOUT 100 FEET.

The last round of shots in sinking the Victor shaft were fired last night and beginning Sunday the company will proceed to crosscut to pick up the famous Murray ledge, which should be caught somewhere between 75 and 100 feet from the shaft. The crosscut will be run south and then after a while another to the north will be cut so as to insure thorough exploration of the surrounding territory. The Victor shaft is now down 1,562 feet and, after allowing for a slump of 22 feet, the crosscut will be projected from a depth of 1,540 feet and carried on with three shifts unless it is found that the powder fumes cannot be cleared fast enough to enable the men to work.
For the past two weeks the Victor has been cutting small stringers in the shaft but the values have been negligible and no attention was paid to the intrusion. The Victor is the deepest continuous shaft in Nevada without a level or break from the collar to the sump. It is also one of the most substantial three-compartment shafts in the district, as it is equipped so that ore could be hoisted the moment it is developed at the rate of 1,500 tons daily.

COUNTY DOES NOT OWN THE SITE OF COUNTY HOSPITAL

When the county commissioners came to the point of opening bids for the proposed new county hospital it was learned that the county had no right to the ground already occupied and that it was allowed to stay there on sufferance with the possibility of being ordered out at any moment. This aching void was discovered at the last minute and the commissioners decided it was not expedient to improve another man's ground with a \$7,000 building and therefore called off the opening of proposals.
The ground is owned by the Jim Butler Mining company and, when the situation was explained to Manager Bradshaw, he consented to give the county the legal right to occupy the ground subject to the usual terms of such possessory rights. In the meantime the old high school remains unoccupied and the taxpayers will be asked to give up some \$2,000 to pay for the construction of the new hospital.
The sewer company has about completed the laying of 2,000 feet of vitrified pipe to connect the site with the main sewer system and it is probable that the commissioners will readvertise for bids.

LAST DANCE OF SEASON DRAWS A GOOD CROWD

The Elks last dance of the winter season last night brought a well-gowned evening dress party which occupied the floor until one o'clock this morning. The five-piece orchestra won many encomiums for the many new dances introduced and the floor committee was applauded for the excellent arrangements for the comfort of guests.

STEPS TO MOBILIZE THE MILITIA FOR INSTANT FOREIGN SERVICE

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, May 8.—The Mexican situation has assumed a more warlike aspect. Activities of the war department began on receipt of confidential advices from General Funston brought to the attention of the president and cabinet.
While the activity disclosed preparation for possible eventualities, yet Secretary Garrison said "No additional troops have been ordered."

Bodies of the Hero Dead Are Due In New York Sunday

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, May 8.—The armored cruiser Montana, with the bodies of seventeen sailors and marines, killed during the occupation of Vera Cruz, is due in New York Sunday. Memorial services, at which President Wilson will voice the tribute of the nation, begin Monday, at Brooklyn navy yard. Benediction will be pronounced by Rev. Father John Chidwick, chaplain of the battleship Maine, when she was destroyed at Havana. Music will be by the marine band. The bodies will be taken ashore at the Battery, and lie in state until Monday.

VERA CRUZ, May 8.—Local newspapers publish commendations of the American administration and restoration of order, and stimulation of business at Vera Cruz. Commercial activity everywhere, is the subject of gratification to the natives. The work of reorganization is progressing so far as sanitary inspection, street cleaning, collection of back taxes, and restoration of a fiscal system is concerned. Some Americans are preparing to return to Mexico City.

CALEXICO, May 8.—The regular army forces were strengthened by the arrival of the machine gun platoon of the first cavalry from Fort Yellowstone. Four companies of the California National guard, who have been on duty two weeks, broke camp and are preparing to entrain for Los Angeles.

FAKE SOLICITOR PUTS IT OVER A BUNCH AT ELKO

PLEADS GUILTY TO OBTAINING MONEY UNDER FALSE PRETENCES.

Yesterday we mentioned the fact that Harry Furbush, a fake solicitor who had made a canvass of Elko and secured 37 new yearly subscriptions to four national magazines for the big sum of 49 cents, using the old gag of trying to win a scholarship, and that he had departed for new fields. Sheriff Harris became suspicious of the fellow Saturday and wired to the magazines in the east, but before an answer could be returned Furbush skipped. Constable McCormack at Wells was notified and early yesterday morning found him at the Western Pacific depot and arrested him and brought him down last night on No. 5. He was taken before Judge Castle this morning and pleaded guilty to the charge of obtaining money under false pretences and will be sentenced this afternoon at 5 o'clock. Sheriff Harris informs us that he has practically all of the money secured by Furbush from the Elko people and that it will be returned to them upon application at his office. The same man worked in Winnemucca and Reno, and when his term expires will be nabbed by them for the same offense and when he has completed all three jail sentences he will be some older.
—Elko Free Press.

FIRST UNDER INHERITANCE TAX

The estate of the late F. P. Snapp, of Rebel creek, is the first in this county to come under the provisions of the inheritance tax law passed by the last legislature. The estate is valued at \$52,870.76. The inheritance tax on this amount will be about \$850, of which the county will receive 20 per cent and pay all the expenses of the appraisement. The state receives 80 per cent of the tax.—Humboldt Star.

FEARS A BANDIT MAY ATTEMPT TO COMMIT SUICIDE

OFFICERS THINK HORSE RUSTLER WILL TRY TO CHEAT JUSTICE.

"Red" Cliff Regan, the bandit who was captured Monday by Sheriff Ingalls, has informed the officers that he is willing to stand trial without delay.
Regan requested Constable Nicol to provide him with a new suit of underwear, a shirt and a scarfpin, says the Tribune. The officer complied with the request with the exception of providing a scarfpin. The scarf was denied Regan for the reason, it was believed, he would have made an effort to end his life with it by cutting the arteries of his wrists. Regan asked for a pocket-knife to clean his fingernails. This request was denied.
Subsequently he asked for a bottle of whisky. The liquor was obtained, but when Constable Nicol offered to give him a drink in a cup Regan became angry. Nicol is convinced that Regan would have used part of the glass in an attempt at suicide.
Regan is regarded as one of the craftiest and most hardened criminals of the west and when he is taken from Goldfield to Bishop he will wear handcuffs and leg irons.
Clarence Beall and Alonzo Stillwell, companions of Regan, have figured in previous horse-stealing operations. Under the name of Von Cochran, Beall was convicted of horse-stealing in Boise, Idaho, in 1911, and was sentenced to penitentiary, from which he escaped. Stillwell is wanted for horse-stealing in Kimball county, Nebraska.

As between going to Spain to see Kermit married and coming home with a pulmotor to restore health to the Bull Moose carcass, the colonel decided in favor of the latter. Kermit can get along without him much better than Pinchot can.—Kansas City Journal.

COLUMBIANS TO HOLD INITIATION NEXT SUNDAY

OVER A SCORE OF CANDIDATES WILL BE INTRODUCED TO THE ORDER.

Much interest is centered by members in the class initiation of the Knights of Columbus in Tonopah on Sunday next, under the joint auspices of Tonopah and Goldfield councils. It is understood that there will be between 25 and 30 novitiates to take the first, second and third degrees. The first will be exemplified by the Tonopah degree team, beginning at 1 o'clock p. m. Sunday. The second degree will be put on by the Goldfield team, beginning at 3 o'clock, while the third degree will be exemplified by a team from the outside under the direction of State Deputy Leonard B. Fowler.
The Goldfield contingent of Knights will come to Tonopah in autos, arriving here in time to attend 10 o'clock mass with their Tonopah brethren. All will meet at Knights of Columbus home, on Brougher avenue, at 9:45 o'clock and march in a body to St. Patrick's church, where Father Flynn has arranged for a special and appropriate service.
A Class banquet will be spread at the K. C. home at 8 p. m., Sunday, to which all knights, local and visiting, as well as delegates to the state council, are invited.
The social dance, heretofore arranged for the evening of May 11, has been indefinitely postponed, owing to the recent death of Knight Andrew Payne.
State Deputy L. B. Fowler, of the Knights of Columbus, has called the state convention of the order to meet in Tonopah on Monday, the 11th, at 10 o'clock a. m., at the K. C. home. The heretofore announced date for the convention was May 12.

TOWNSHIP OF CARRARA.

The new marble industry in the southern end of Nye county was recognized officially by the county commissioners yesterday creating the township of Carrara and appointing A. B. Perkins, constable.

Electricity to Register Votes

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, May 8.—Members of the house will have their votes recorded by an electrical device at the opening of the next congress. The apparatus is to cost \$20,000. The idea is to simplify and shorten roll calls.

Mine Workers Say Will Fight In Defiance of Rockefeller

(By Associated Press.)
INDIANAPOLIS, May 8.—John D. Rockefeller, Jr., could have prevented loss of life in Colorado by favoring a settlement of the coal strike through a meeting of operators and miners, according to the statement of the international executive board of the United Mineworkers of America. The statement also says: "There can be no turning back or turning aside. The sacrifices already made are too great." After a review of the strike and Ludlow battle in which eleven children and two women lost their lives, the statement says: "No fouler crime or more brutal deed ever was recorded in the pages of American history."
The board members pledge themselves to support the miners of Colorado and aid them as long as the struggle continues, even though it lasts ten years.
The special committee decided not to engage in a general strike. It was decided, however, to push the Colorado strike. An appeal for financial aid issued says: "The request of the president that Rockefeller use his influence on behalf of peace was refused. When he denied the president's request, Rockefeller assumed he was bigger than the government itself. Shall such conditions be tolerated by a free people?"

ELOCUTIONARY CONTESTS TO DETERMINE TWO CANDIDATES FOR STATE TRIAL

With final rehearsals over and the decorations completed, the stage is set for the declamation contest at the high school gymnasium this evening. Much time and a great deal of effort have been put forth by the students, their friends and the teachers to make this an event of unusual merit and interest. The speakers chose their own instructors, some having teachers and others having friends experienced in this line of training.
From the list of seven speakers the judges will select one girl and one boy to represent Tonopah high school in the state contest at Reno. The judging will be done on the following basis: Articulation and pronunciation, 25 points; gesticulation and carriage, 25; general effect, 50.
The program will begin at 7:45 and will close at about 10, followed by a dance, for which Parker and Fife will play. Admission to the declamation program, 25 cents for adults, 10 cents for children, dance 50 cents per couple.

WOMEN READY FOR ONE MORE DEMONSTRATION

WILL PARADE PRELIMINARY TO APPEARING BEFORE CONGRESS.

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, May 8.—Suffragists from various parts of the United States have prepared for a final charge on congress tomorrow to demand passage of the constitutional amendment enfranchising women. Every state will be represented. Police protection is promised to prevent the incidents which marked the suffrage procession a year ago.

GOLDFIELD MEN HELD FOR A SERIOUS CHARGE

B. C. Kleer, a miner, 29 years old, and J. H. Johnson, a machinist, 23 years old, are held at the county jail on a charge of attempted criminal assault upon two school girls, one 13 and the other 15 years old.—Tribune.

TEMPERATURE REPORT

Highest temperature yesterday, 74; a year ago, 70.
Lowest temperature last night, 70; a year ago, 46.

Suffragette Goes to Jail a Year

(By Associated Press.)
LEEDS, England, May 8.—Lillian Lenton, a militant suffragette, was sentenced to one year's imprisonment for setting fire to the Westfield house last June. She confessed.

TONOPAH COMPANY WEEKLY REPORT

Gross receipts of the Tonopah Mining company for the preceding week amounted to \$51,500 on shipments of 2,650 tons to the mills. The average value was \$18 a ton and 95 stamps were kept dropping through the week. This morning 31 bars of bullion, valued at \$42,000, were shipped from Millers and 31 tons of concentrates worth \$9,500 went to the smelter. This week shipments from mines to mill aggregated 2,500 tons.

MAURY DIGGS NOT GUILTY.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 8.—Maury Diggs, who has been on trial charged by the government of violating the white slave law, was found not guilty late yesterday afternoon.